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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Reference AO (JP 2001-280485) on PTO Form 1449:

When it is determined that a cancellation condition for canceling a creeping force control is fulfilled, an apply force command value for a frictional element immediately after the cancellation condition is fulfilled is set based on a parameter value related to an input rotational speed of the automatic transmission when then cancellation condition is fulfilled. However, there is a problem that the hydraulic pressure which matches the command value is not an optimum hydraulic pressure when there is individual difference (deviation) of a hydraulic pressure control system (a linear solenoid, a return spring, and the like).

Reference AP (JP 2001-295921) on PTO Form 1449:

A control apparatus is provided, which sets an optimum feedback gain in a feedback control immediately after a cancellation condition for canceling a creeping force control in an automatic transmission is fulfilled, thereby preventing a slip and sudden application of a frictional element.

Reference AQ (JP 2001-295920) on PTO Form 1449:

A control apparatus is provided, which prevents a shock due to application of a frictional element when a cancellation condition for canceling a creeping force control in an automatic transmission is fulfilled, thereby improving driveability.

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	AQ	2001-295920	10/26/2001	JAPAN (with English Abstract)			X
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